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NOTIFICATION OF ELECTION

(PCT Rule 61.2)

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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 28 July 2000 (28.07.00)	
International application No. PCT/JP99/06943	Applicant's or agent's file reference PWO-19119
International filing date (day/month/year) 10 December 1999 (10.12.99)	Priority date (day/month/year) 14 December 1998 (14.12.98)
Applicant TAKE, Kazuhiko et al	

1. The designated Office is hereby notified of its election made:

☒ in the demand filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority on:

31 May 2000 (31.05.00)

☐ in a notice effecting later election filed with the International Bureau on:2. The election ☒ was☐ was not

made before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date or, where Rule 32 applies, within the time limit under Rule 32.2(b).

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

Applicant's or agent's file reference PWO-19119	FOR FURTHER ACTION		See Notification of Transmittal of International Preliminary Examination Report (Form PCT/IPEA/416)
International application No. PCT/JP99/06943	International filing date (day/month/year) 10/12/1999	Priority date (day/month/year) 14/12/1998	
International Patent Classification (IPC) or national classification and IPC C07D413/06			
Applicant FUJISAWA PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD. et al.			

1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 6 sheets, including this cover sheet.

☐ This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e. sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Basis of the report
II	<input type="checkbox"/>	Priority
III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
IV	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of unity of invention
V	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
VI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Certain documents cited
VII	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certain defects in the international application
VIII	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Certain observations on the international application

Date of submission of the demand 31/05/2000	Date of completion of this report 01.03.2001
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**INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY
EXAMINATION REPORT**

International application No. PCT/JP99/06943

I. Basis of the report

1. This report has been drawn on the basis of *(substitute sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to the report since they do not contain amendments (Rules 70.16 and 70.17).)*:

Description, pages:

1-231 as originally filed

Claims, No.:

1-10 as originally filed

2. With regard to the **language**, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language: , which is:

- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of the international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
- ☐ the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3).

3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international preliminary examination was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

- ☐ contained in the international application in written form.
- ☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
- ☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
- ☐ The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
- ☐ The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

4. The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages:
- ☐ the claims, Nos.:
- ☐ the drawings, sheets:

5. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed (Rule 70.2(c)):

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(Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.)

6. Additional observations, if necessary:

III. Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

1. The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non-obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of:

☐ the entire international application.

☒ claims Nos. 8.

because:

☒ the said international application, or the said claims Nos. 8 relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international preliminary examination (*specify*):
see separate sheet

☐ the description, claims or drawings (*indicate particular elements below*) or said claims Nos. are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (*specify*):

☐ the claims, or said claims Nos. are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed.

☐ no international search report has been established for the said claims Nos. .

2. A meaningful international preliminary examination report cannot be carried out due to the failure of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing to comply with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions:

☐ the written form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

☐ the computer readable form has not been furnished or does not comply with the standard.

V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes: Claims 4
	No: Claims 1-3,5-10
Inventive step (IS)	Yes: Claims
	No: Claims 1-10
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes: Claims 1-9,10

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No: Claims 8

2. Citations and explanations
see separate sheet

VI. Certain documents cited

1. Certain published documents (Rule 70.10)

and / or

2. Non-written disclosures (Rule 70.9)

see separate sheet

VIII. Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claims are fully supported by the description, are made:

see separate sheet

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EXAMINATION REPORT - SEPARATE SHEET**

International application No. PCT/JP99/06943

Priority

The priority document pertaining to the present application has not been checked at the time of establishing this preliminary examination report. Hence, it is based on the assumption that all claims enjoy priority rights from the filing date of the priority document. If it later turns out that this is not correct, the document WO 98 57954 cited in the international search report could become relevant to assess whether claim 1 (and dependent claims thereon) satisfies the criteria set forth in Article 33(1) PCT.

Novelty

D2: WO 97 22597 describes compounds which do not fall within the scope of the subject-matter claimed mainly in view of the proviso introduced at the end of claim 1. However, it should be pointed out that the novelty of an invention whose subject-matter is a choice among a known group depends on whether the choice adduces a teaching of a technical nature not contained in the state of the art. The Examiner could not find wherein the structural distinction between D2 and the claimed subject-matter exactly resides.

Novelty cannot be recognized.

Inventive step

The problem underlying the present application appears to reside in the provision of further piperazine derivatives which have pharmacological activities such as Tachykinin antagonism.

D2 as well as D3: WO 97 08166 A both describe structurally very closely related compounds (see also under novelty) also useful as Tachykinin antagonists or more specifically neurokinin antagonists (D3). Data are given on pages 28 to 31 and 49 to 55 respectively.

The solution of the problem underlying the present application has to be seen in the provision of the derivatives according to claim 1 which, however, do not show any particular novelty rendering feature and for which no quantitative data could be found.

It appears that the problem as stated above has been already solved by the compounds claimed in D2.

Therefore in view of this objection above, the compounds claimed do not represent a solution to the problem stated supra since no unexpected effects or advantages which were not derivable from the teaching of the highly relevant document D2 were shown.

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Always in the case of a selection invention, the structural distinguishing portion must be responsibly for the unforeseeable effects on which an inventive step could be recognized.

No inventive step can be acknowledged.

Clarity

The term "aryl further substituted" used in claim 1, is considered to be non-limitative and embraces an infinite number of possibilities not yet explored by the Applicant; it should have been limited to the specific meanings given in the description page 8, as otherwise it is difficult to ascertain if the problem has been indeed solved by all the compounds claimed considered as obvious modifications or equivalents to one or more particular examples.

The expression "lower" used in the claims (for many substituents like i.a. alkyl, alkenyl or alkoxy) is considered to be unclear in scope, since it does not precisely define the matter for which protection is sought, specially the upper limit (being in this case sometimes different from group to group).

Industrial applicability

For the assessment of the present claims 8 on the question whether it is industrially applicable, no unified criteria exist in the PCT Contracting States. The patentability can also be dependent upon the formulation of the claims. The EPO, for example, does not recognize as industrially applicable the subject-matter of claims to the use of a compound in medical treatment, but may allow, however, claims to a known compound for first use in medical treatment and the use of such a compound for the manufacture of a medicament for a new medical treatment.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference PW0-19119	FOR FURTHER ACTION <small>see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.</small>	
International application No. PCT/JP 99/ 06943	International filing date (day/month/year) 10/12/1999	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 14/12/1998
Applicant FUJISAWA PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD. et al.		

This International Search Report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This International Search Report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

☒ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing :

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2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box I).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

☐ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention.

☒ None of the figures.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

P 99/06943

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 C07D413/06 C07D401/06 C07D403/06 C07D471/04 C07D413/14
 C07D495/04 C07F7/18 A61K31/535 A61K31/495 A61P29/00
 A61P3/00 A61P27/02 //(C07D413/06,265:00,241:00),

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 C07D C07F

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
P, X	WO 98 57954 A (NAKAI KAZUO ; TAKE KAZUHIKO (JP); AZAMI HIDENORI (JP); EIKYU YOSHIT) 23 December 1998 (1998-12-23) claims 1-4,6,7,9,10; examples 6,15,16,25 ---	1-3,6,7, 9,10
X	WO 97 22597 A (FUJISAWA PHARMACEUTICAL CO ; MATSUO MASAOKI (JP); MANABE TAKASHI (J) 26 June 1997 (1997-06-26) claims 1-8,10,11,14; examples 24,36,51 ---	1-3,6,7, 9,10
X	WO 97 08166 A (SCHERING CORP) 6 March 1997 (1997-03-06) claims 1-3,5,12-14 ---	1-3,9,10
A	EP 0 655 442 A (FUJISAWA PHARMACEUTICAL CO) 31 May 1995 (1995-05-31) claims 1-3,6-8; table 1 -----	1-3,9,10



Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.



Patent family members are listed in annex.

* Special categories of cited documents:

"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance

"E" earlier document but published on or after the international filing date

"L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)

"O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means

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Date of the actual completion of the international search

8 May 2000

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12/05/2000

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 (C07D401/06, 241:00, 213:00), (C07D403/06, 241:00, 231:00),
(C07D413/14, 265:00, 241:00, 207:00)

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.



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Information on patent family members

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Patent document cited in search report	Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
WO 9857954 A	23-12-1998	AU 7675098 A	04-01-1999
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		AU 705683 B	27-05-1999
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		NZ 318493 A	28-10-1999
		PL 323235 A	16-03-1998
		PL 325339 A	20-07-1998
		SK 27498 A	02-12-1998
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		WO 9634864 A	07-11-1996
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EP 0655442 A	31-05-1995	AU 689504 B	02-04-1998
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		CN 1107149 A, B	23-08-1995
		HU 71348 A	28-11-1995
		IL 111730 A	06-12-1998
		JP 7242641 A	19-09-1995
		US 5670505 A	23-09-1997
		US 5883098 A	16-03-1999
		ZA 9409228 A	01-08-1995
		BR 9500539 A	31-10-1995

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NOTIFICATION CONCERNING
SUBMISSION OR TRANSMITTAL
OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

(PCT Administrative Instructions, Section 411)

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

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International publication date (day/month/year) Not yet published	
Applicant FUJISAWA PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD. et al	International filing date (day/month/year) 10 December 1999 (10.12.99) Priority date (day/month/year) 14 December 1998 (14.12.98)

- The applicant is hereby notified of the date of receipt (except where the letters "NR" appear in the right-hand column) by the International Bureau of the priority document(s) relating to the earlier application(s) indicated below. Unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk appearing next to a date of receipt, or by the letters "NR", in the right-hand column, the priority document concerned was submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b).
- This updates and replaces any previously issued notification concerning submission or transmittal of priority documents.
- An asterisk(*) appearing next to a date of receipt, in the right-hand column, denotes a priority document submitted or transmitted to the International Bureau but not in compliance with Rule 17.1(a) or (b). In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.
- The letters "NR" appearing in the right-hand column denote a priority document which was not received by the International Bureau or which the applicant did not request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau, as provided by Rule 17.1(a) or (b), respectively. In such a case, the attention of the applicant is directed to Rule 17.1(c) which provides that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the national phase, to furnish the priority document within a time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

<u>Priority date</u>	<u>Priority application No.</u>	<u>Country or regional Office or PCT receiving Office</u>	<u>Date of receipt of priority document</u>
14 Dec 1998 (14.12.98)	PP7706	AU	21 Janu 2000 (21.01.00)
21 Octo 1999 (21.10.99)	PQ3568	AU	21 Janu 2000 (21.01.00)

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NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES

(PCT Rule 47.1(c), first sentence)

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Date of mailing (day/month/year) 22 June 2000 (22.06.00)		IMPORTANT NOTICE	
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Applicant FUJISAWA PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD. et al			

1. Notice is hereby given that the International Bureau has communicated, as provided in Article 20, the international application to the following designated Offices on the date indicated above as the date of mailing of this Notice:
AU,CN,JP,KR,US

In accordance with Rule 47.1(c), third sentence, those Offices will accept the present Notice as conclusive evidence that the communication of the international application has duly taken place on the date of mailing indicated above and no copy of the international application is required to be furnished by the applicant to the designated Office(s).

2. The following designated Offices have waived the requirement for such a communication at this time:

AE,AL,AM,AP,AT,AZ,BA,BB,BG,BR,BY,CA,CH,CU,CZ,DE,DK,EA,EE,EP,ES,FI,GB,GD,GE,GH,GM,
HR,HU,ID,IL,IN,IS,KE,KG,KZ,LC,LK,LR,LS,LT,LU,LV,MD,MG,MK,MN,MW,MX,NO,NZ,OA,PL,PT,
RO,RU,SD,SE,SG,SI,SK,SL,TJ,TM,TR,TT,UA,UG,UZ,VN,YU,ZA,ZW

The communication will be made to those Offices only upon their request. Furthermore, those Offices do not require the applicant to furnish a copy of the international application (Rule 49.1(a-bis)).

3. Enclosed with this Notice is a copy of the international application as published by the International Bureau on
22 June 2000 (22.06.00) under No. WO 00/35915

REMINDER REGARDING CHAPTER II (Article 31(2)(a) and Rule 54.2)

If the applicant wishes to postpone entry into the national phase until 30 months (or later in some Offices) from the priority date, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed with the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date.

It is the applicant's sole responsibility to monitor the 19-month time limit.

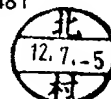
Note that only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination.

REMINDER REGARDING ENTRY INTO THE NATIONAL PHASE (Article 22 or 39(1))

If the applicant wishes to proceed with the international application in the national phase, he must, within 20 months or 30 months, or later in some Offices, perform the acts referred to therein before each designated or elected Office.

For further important information on the time limits and acts to be performed for entering the national phase, see the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 (Notification of Receipt of Record Copy) and Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide.

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Continuation of Form PCT/IB/308

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THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES**

Date of mailing (day/month/year) 22 June 2000 (22.06.00)	IMPORTANT NOTICE
Applicant's or agent's file reference PWO-19119	International application No. PCT/JP99/06943
<p>The applicant is hereby notified that, at the time of establishment of this Notice, the time limit under Rule 46.1 for making amendments under Article 19 has not yet expired and the International Bureau had received neither such amendments nor a declaration that the applicant does not wish to make amendments.</p>	